

Small Group Sermon Questions for the week of 10/30/22

1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:12-34

The questions below are discussion starters based on this week's sermon. Use them to keep your folks engaged with the worship, Scripture, and with one another.

- 1) How would your life be different if there was no resurrection from the dead?
  
- 2) Many people claim that the resurrection is simply a metaphor. Why is that claim not only wrong, but hopeless as well?
  
- 3) Has your understanding of the resurrection always included a physical resurrection? Why or why not?
  
- 4) What happens when Jesus returns and how does this make you think about the present and the future?
  
- 5) V. 31,32 read, "I face death every day - yes, just as surely as I boast about you in Christ Jesus our Lord. If I fought wild beasts in Ephesus with no more than human hopes, what have I gained? If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.'" What does this mean? Is there a connection between the resurrection and what we are able to endure on this earth?
  
- 6) How can the denial of the resurrection be harmful in the church?
  
- 7) What is the grounding of your hope? Did today's sermon confirm or challenge what you place your hope in?